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Havasupai

643 war parties, and condemns criminals,
743 but also prays, offering sacrifices toward
securing rain, propitious seasons, and
success in the chase for his children, as
he terms his nation. He receives, con-
[651] trary to the Pueblo practice, tithes for
556 his officers, and is usually as wealthy as
any member of the tribe, although by
no means exempted from labor in the
field or the hunt. Neither he nor his
sub-chiefs wear insignia of rank about
their persons, so far as I could discover.

643 The present head chief, Ko-hót, is
[557] nicknamed Navajo. He is a man of the
most wonderful character. His portrait
in profile, as I look upon it, and to the
sketching of which he submitted with
ease and pleasure, bears a remarkable
likeness to Washington. I cannot for-
bear giving two instances of his judg-
ment, which exemplify his fine sense of
justice, but at the same time his unre-
lenting will, in any measure, however
severe, for the good of his own people.

643 When the Apache Mojaves were moved
692 by government to San Carlos, one of
649 them, discontented, returned through his
former country, and after great suffer-
ing reached the home of the Ha-va-su-
pai. He expressed his wish to live with
the latter people to the end of his days.
Ko-hót convened a council, and after
long and fair deliberation concluded that
it would be offensive to the Americans
should he be harbored, and endanger
his own people, leading ultimately, per-
haps, to their removal as well. He there-
fore informed the Apache that, notwith-
standing he was a member of a nation
of enemies, he felt for him, but could
give him the choice of but two alterna-
tives, — return to San Carlos, or death.
The Apache, hoping Ko-hót would re-
lent, replied that die he might, but re-
turn to San Carlos he never would.
• [646] Ko-hót arose, then and there, without
one more word, and struck him dead.

643 When the officers of the cavalry ex-
623 pedition called a council, and told Ko-
657 hót that their mission was to determine
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